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HB 287

Thank you for allowing me this opportunity to share our family's situation with regard to HB 287. Because of family issues I am not able to be physically present, please accept my apology.

My name is Peggy Christensen, I reside in Billings Mt and have since 1975. I am the daughter of Robert & Mildred Standefer - they retired to Billings Mt in 1995 from Vancouver Washington purchasing the condominium next door to me.

Approximately five years ago my mother received a phone call stating that she was the recipient of 2.5 million dollars...the only requirement that was asked of her was that she immediately WIRE this purported company a certain dollar amount of money which would therefore verify and confirm her winnings. The dollar amount ended up to be 150,000.00 which was the majority of the monies my father had attained at the end of his employment in 1995. That considerable amount of money was to last well into their retirement years although because of this situation - my dad went to work full time @ Walmart. My mother shared this information with me and I immediately contacted the Consumer Protection Dept in Helena. Because these funds were wired 'out of the country' the hands of the Consumer Protection Dept., were tied and no funds could be recovered.

Again on December 7, 2012 two salespeople from Patriot of Montana came to my parents door to 'deliver their FREE Tide'..My father responded to an ad in the Sunday paper that stated.. **'FREE - Supplies Limited Call Now!'**... no purchase required. At the ages of 93 & 89 'free' things in this time of life are particularly inviting. What precipitated from this visit was the sale of a \$2500.00 VACUUM. Immediately following the departure of these two people I went next door to ask the nature of the visit, seeing the vacuum sitting in the living room. I asked my dad for the contract and started calling the number on the contract to cancel the sale and ask for the return of the monies. There was no answer as they had gone directly to the bank to cash the check. (The bank called to verify funds) I continued calling Friday night, Saturday morning, Saturday evening and again on Monday morning.

When there was no communication from the sales people, I called the mother company Schoettler Research and was promised by a marketing person - a return call. Never happened. I called again on Tuesday and asked why I was not offered the courtesy of a return call...once again assured it would happen and it never did.

I then called the Consumer Protection Dept. and requested their help. To date this case (#13-3242) is still open and there has been no resolution.

These people violated my parents privacy as well as their dignity. My mother is legally blind, hard of hearing and had no clue what was transpiring. My father was in incredible pain so his ability to make a responsible decision was very much compromised.

I am speaking on my father's behalf as well as every other person who's integrity has been compromised by people like this and are too afraid or embarrassed to speak.

January 10, 2013 my father passed away - he would want justice served.

I strongly recommend a unanimous vote in favor of this bill, these people need to be stopped immediately.

Thank you,

Peggy Christensen  
for my dad, Robert Standefer

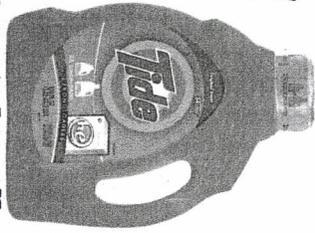
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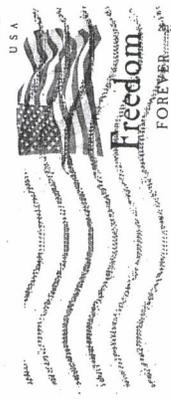
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